

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

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WSDOT Construction Activity & Possible Delays/April 22-May 2, 2004

HIGH IMPACT!! I-90/Tokio to the Lincoln County Line (MP 231-239)-Work is underway in NE Adams County from Tokio to the vicinity of the Sprague Lake Rest Area. Paving operations will be underway. Motorists should expect eastbound and/or westbound lane restrictions. Note: The legal speed limit is reduced to 55 mph when lane restrictions are in place. These speed limit changes will be noted by signage when in effect. Motorcyclists need to use extreme caution when driving on grooved pavement. Some guardrail and earthwork items also continue.

HIGH IMPACT!! I-90/Adams County Line to Spokane County Line (MP 239-255)- Work is underway in SE Lincoln County. The project limits from the vicinity of the Sprague Lake Rest Area to the Fishtrap interchange. On the schedule is electrical, earthwork, and drainage items. Motorists should expect eastbound and/or westbound lane restrictions. Note: The legal speed limit will be reduced to 55 mph when lane restrictions are in place. These speed limit changes will be noted by signage when in effect. In addition, on some days, rock blasting will be underway in some locations between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. Traffic on I-90 will be stopped for approximately 10-15 minutes when blasting operations are underway.

<u>I-90/Variable Message Sign (MP 284)</u>-No traffic impacts.

HIGH IMPACT!! I-90/Argonne to Sullivan (MP 287-292)- Work will not impact freeway traffic. Travel lanes are 11 feet wide. Inside and outside shoulders will are 2 feet wide with concrete barriers in place. On-ramp merging distance is reduced. The eastbound Evergreen onramp is closed. Motorists need to be **extremely alert** within this work zone. Lanes and shoulders are narrow and on-ramp merging distances are reduced.

SR 127/Central Ferry to Church Hill Rd. (MP 10-18)-Paving operations will be underway. SR 127 will be reduced to a single-lane with flaggers and pilot cars directing traffic. Motorists should expect 10-15 minute delays. Also paving of the widened Central Ferry port terminal is on the schedule. Some guardrail work will also be underway at some locations.

US 395-North Spokane Corridor/Farwell Road Lowering and Bridges-Work is underway on this component of the new freeway facility near Mead, north of Spokane. Utility relocation and preliminary earthwork for the upcoming bridge construction is underway. Farwell Road traffic is now detoured slightly to the north to accommodate bridge construction. This short detour will be in place for the duration of this bridge contract. Some lane restrictions may occur for utility work and some short sections of Farwell Road have a temporary gravel surface. No main highway traffic impacts. The short section of Shady Slope Rd. between US 2 (Newport Highway) and Farwell Rd. is now closed for the duration of this project. Motorists should use the US 2/Farwell intersection, just to the west, as an alternate.

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<u>SR 21/Clark Street in Republic (MP 303)-</u>City street work underway in this Ferry County community. This is a City of Republic project. Contact (509) 775-2929.

<u>SR 27/Grand Avenue in Pullman (MP 0-1)</u>-Sewer work is underway between Harms Rd. and Fairmont Rd. Minor items remain. This is a City of Pullman project.